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1. RE SUBJECT PROPOSED TRANSFER, WE REALIZE THAT GETR SHUTDOWN MAY HAVE BEEN SEEN AS PRECLUDING PLANNED FUEL PIN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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TESTING. HOWEVER, GE IS EXPLORING POSSIBILITY OF USING ANOTHER REACTOR IN US FOR TESTING PROGRAM. IN THE EVENT THIS PROVES FEASIBLE, IT WOULD BE DESIRABLE TO HAVE READY AN MOU WITH TEXT APPROVED BY ALL PARTIES THAT COULD BE SIGNED AND BROUGHT INTO EFFECT WITHOUT DELAY AT APPROPRIATE TIME, SO THAT DEPARTMENT COULD PROMPTLY RECOMMEND NRC ISSUANCE OF NECESSARY US IMPORT LICENSES.

2. CONSEQUENTLY, WOULD APPRECIATE ADDRESSEES, GOUK, GOJ, AND IAEA VIEWS ON WHAT CHANGES ARE NECESSARY IN PREVIOUSLY PROPOSED MOU TEXT (REF A), IN LIGHT OF ENTRY INTO FORCE OF

JAPANESE NPT SAFEGUARDS AGREEMENT, SUSPENSION OF UK-IAEA-JAPAN SAFEGUARDS TRANSFER AGREEMENT (STA), AND CONTEMPLATED SUSPENSION OF US-IAEA-JAPAN STA.

3. USIAEA AND TOKYO: REGARDING US-IAEA-JAPAN STA, WE HOPE THAT NEED FOR SUSPENSION PROTOCOL HAS BEEN ADEQUATELY CLARIFIED TO JAPANESE (REF B) AND THAT LATTER HAVE AGREED TO PROPOSED TEXT (REF C). ADVISE. VANCE

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